

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of stuffing natural casings with emulsion involves placing a textured continuous belt transversely with respect to a longitudinal axis of a stuffing tube. The 5 textured belt engages with the natural casing on the stuffing tube and distributes a compressive force on the outer surface of the casing. The textured belt then rotates to advance the natural casing into engagement with a twisting mechanism, which is downstream of the stuffing tube 10 and prepares the casing for linking. The textured belt ensures that the natural casing is evenly fed into the twisting mechanism. A machine includes the foregoing components to accomplish the method.